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Bills of health.

Since last report the following-named ships have been inspected and received bills of health of this office: November 7, bark *Baltimore*, American, for Baltimore. November 12, barkentine *Frances*, American, for Baltimore. November 13, steamship *Holbein*, British, for New York. November 17, bark *Rosenberg*, Norwegian, for Ship Island. November 20, steamship *Ebro*, British, for New Orleans. November 21, bark *Glycinia*, Portuguese, for New Orleans. November 22, ship *Oceana*, Portuguese, for New Orleans; steamship *Bellaggio*, German, for New York. November 24, steamship *Llansannar*, British, for Galveston.

Respectfully,

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CUBA.

Reports from Cienfuegos, Casilda, and Santa Cruz del Sur.

CIENTFUEGOS, CUBA, *December 24, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that during the week ended December 22, 1900, 18 deaths occurred in this city, the following table showing the causes of deaths: Mitral insufficiency, 3; enteritis, 2; dysentery, 1; remittent fever, 1; tetanus, infantile, 1; intestinal obstruction, 1; inflammation of the aorta, 1; typhoid fever, 1; pernicious fever, 1; intestinal colic, 1; tuberculosis, 1; Bright's disease, 1; gangrene, 1; gastro-enteritis, 1; emphysema, 1.

Five of these deaths occurred in the civil hospital. Death rate 23.46. The case of yellow fever reported by cable on the 23d has been removed and isolated outside of city, the premises occupied by patient having been disinfected. The patient is a Spaniard, one and one-half months on the island, and who arrived from Havana eight or ten days ago. The case is a mild one and is doing well.

Seventeen vessels have entered and been inspected and passed; 18 vessels have been issued bills of health for other ports. During the week 58 health certificates have been issued passengers, 35 pieces of baggage disinfected, 49 labeled "To be disinfected at Santiago," 62 pieces of baggage leaving Cienfuegos inspected and passed; 27 pieces of baggage inspected entering Cienfuegos; 13 pieces of baggage destined for south coast ports inspected and passed.

Ten tons of coal were removed from the disinfecting barge *Sentinel* during the week, which brought the copper sheathing 6 inches out of the water; this will prevent any damage by worms.

Casilda.—Dr. Alejandro Cantero reports 7 deaths in the city of Trinidad during the week; 1 death from diphtheria, but all precautions have been taken to prevent a spread of the disease. Inspected 7 vessels at that port during the week.

Santa Cruz del Sur.—Dr. Juan R. Xiques reports no deaths during the week at that port, no deaths having occurred in that vicinity during 1900 from any contagious diseases. Inspected 7 vessels at that port during the week.

Respectfully,

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